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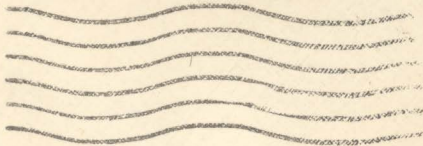
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Camp Butner, Va.

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Mrs. Jack Bell  
345 W. River St.  
Elyria, Ohio

March 31, 1943  
Camp Butner, N.C.

Dearest Wife,

Got your letter today, darling, the one you wrote Sunday at the folks'. I also got one from Mom and Dad today, and she told about you coming over.

Glad to hear ~~you~~ had such a good time out with the girls, Saturday nite. It sounded like a real good time.

To tell you the truth, honey, I really don't have much to write about tonite, unless I start repeating myself. Our days are sort of routine right now. Mostly classes. After while when I get into specialized training I'll probably have something new to write about. Anyway, if you don't get tired of hearing me say I love you, I'll still have something to write about. I never tire of hearing you say it.

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Once again thanks to everyone for the gifts. In the army I use everyone of them everyday.

Well darling, this isn't much of a letter, maybe tomorrow I'll have more to write. All my love and lots of kisses,

Your own,  
Jack

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As near as I can figure out Henderson must be south and west of here. Just about every afternoon when we're standing retreat I see a bus heading in that direction marked Henderson.

In a few weeks we'll be getting our insignia. It's a semicircle of red with a white streak of lightning in it. If I should happen to get an extra one I'll send it to you. Would you like it? It's not likely that they'll give me too many, but I can buy them at the PX. The insignia is worn ~~at~~ on the left shoulder or I should say high up on



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Camp Butner, N.C.

stamp, with print text

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